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Public Health Resource Center

Partner Agencies:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov – CDC serves as the national focus for developing and applying disease prevention and control, environmental health, and health promotion and education activities designed to improve the health of the people of the United States. The website provides a wealth of information on specific health and safety topics.

Tennessee Department of Health: <http://health.state.tn.us/> - TDH is the state health department website and resource for public health activities within the State of Tennessee. Information provided on this website includes resources for public health issues within the State and also serves as a repository for data and statistics for myriad health issues prevalent in Tennessee.

World Health Organization: <http://www.who.int/en/> - WHO is the directing and coordinating authority for health within the United Nations system. It is responsible for providing leadership on global health matters, shaping the health research agenda, setting norms and standards, articulating evidence-based policy options, providing technical support to countries and monitoring and assessing health trends.

American Public Health Association: www.apha.org - APHA is a membership association of individuals and organizations working to improve the public's health and to achieve equity in health status for all. The APHA represents over 50,000 public health professionals. The website includes access to the American Journal of Public Health and the Nation's Health, among other resources.

Association of Schools of Public Health: www.asph.org - The Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH) is the only national organization representing the deans, faculty and students of the CEPH accredited member schools of public health and other programs seeking accreditation as schools of public health. The website provides practical information for students about employment and training opportunities, including internships, fellowships, and funding opportunities.

Partners in Information for the Public Health Workforce: www.phpartners.org Partners in Information Access for the Public Health Workforce is a collaboration of U.S. government agencies, public health organizations, and health sciences libraries which provides timely, convenient access to selected public health resources on the Internet.

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials: www.astho.org - The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) is the national nonprofit organization representing the state and territorial public health agencies of the United States, the U.S. Territories, and the District of Columbia.

ASTHO's members, the chief health officials of these jurisdictions, are dedicated to formulating and influencing sound public health policy, and to assuring excellence in state-based public health practice.

Error! Hyperlink reference not valid. *National Association of County and City Health Officials:*

www.naccho.org - The National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) is the national organization representing the nation's approximately 3,000 local health departments (including city, county, metro, district, and tribal agencies). NACCHO supports their member by calling for strong national policy, developing useful resources and programs, seeking health equity, and supporting effective local public health practice and systems.

Association of Public Health Laboratories: **www.aphl.org** - The Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) works to strengthen laboratories serving the public's health in the US and globally. The website includes scientific studies on current public health issues and tests being conducted to combat disease, among other resources.

The National Association of Local Boards of Health: **www.nalboh.org** - The National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) is the grass roots of public health. NALBOH's mission is to prepare and strengthen boards of health, empowering them to promote and protect the health of their communities through education, training, and technical assistance.

The National Environmental Health Agency: **www.neha.org** – The lead organization for environmental health professionals. NEHA aims to advance the environmental health and protection professional for the purpose of providing a healthful environment for all. The website provides practical information for environmental health professionals and students about current environmental health practices, employment and training opportunities, including internships, fellowships, and funding opportunities

Safe States Alliance: **www.safestates.org** - The **Safe States Alliance** is a non-profit organization and professional association whose mission is to serve as the national voice in support of state and local injury and violence prevention professionals engaged in building a safer, healthier America. The Safe States Alliance is a member of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) Affiliated Organizations and is partners with numerous other injury prevention and public health-related agencies and organizations associated with injury and violence prevention.

Tennessee Public Health Association: **<http://www.tnpublichealth.info/index.php?id=1>** - TPHA is the official professional organization for those engaged or interested in public health services and is endorsed by the administration of the Tennessee Department of Health. TPHA is an affiliate member of the Southern Health Association and the American Public Health Association. TPHA provides opportunities for health professionals representing diverse service areas to meet and share ideas in an effort to maintain high standards of quality in all aspects of public health. Membership is encouraged for any person who is engaged in the practice of public health, either directly or indirectly, or who is interested in the advancement of public health in Tennessee.

Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities:

<http://www.tn.gov/mental/> - TDMH is a state agency that plans for and promotes the availability of a comprehensive array of quality prevention, early intervention, treatment, habilitation and rehabilitation services and supports based on the needs and choices of individuals and families served. The website

includes information on mental health and developmental disabilities conditions, issues, and current events within the State of Tennessee.

General Resources:

The National Library of Medicine: <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/> - This website assists the advancement of medical and related sciences through the collection, dissemination, and exchange of information important to the progress of medicine and health and serves as a national information resource for medical education, research, and service activities of the public, Federal and private agencies, organizations, and institutions;

Centers for Disease Control Public Health Image Library: <http://phil.cdc.gov/phil/about.asp> - Much of the information critical to the communication of public health messages is pictorial rather than text-based. Created by a Working Group at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the PHIL offers an organized, universal electronic gateway to CDC's pictures. The site welcomes public health professionals, the media, laboratory scientists, educators, students, and the worldwide public to use this material for reference, teaching, presentation, and public health messages. The content is organized into hierarchical categories of people, places, and science, and is presented as single images, image sets, and multimedia files.

ListSERV's and Newsletters:

CDC Environmental Health ListSERV - This listserv is maintained by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to enable environmental health practitioners to share information and discuss issues pertinent to the profession.

To send a message to all of the people currently subscribed to the list, just send an email to ENV-HEALTH-GENERAL@LISTSERV.CDC.GOV

CDC Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) ListSERV - The ListServ is used to facilitate discussion and sharing between state and local SNS planners. In addition, contractors that are working for state and local governments also are on the ListServ. To post a message to the SNS ListServ, email to SNS_Program-L@list.nih.gov

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation NewsDigest:

<http://my.rwjf.org/registration.do?applyCfpId=&referer> - This frequently updated news digest on the subject of Public Health highlights key articles from major news publications and blogs. The digest is a free service of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

NACCHO Chronic Disease Prevention Newsletter - NACCHO's Chronic Disease Prevention newsletter aims to engage and enhance local health department's ability to expand evidence- and practice-based chronic disease prevention activities in their communities and promote change at the policy, systems, and environmental levels in order to reduce the burden of chronic diseases. To enroll in this newsletter, simply go here: http://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/manage/optin/ea?v=001q-Lt4sL9omMA_HNkDKWu6Q%3D%3D

Centers for Disease Control Email Newsletters: - The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is happy to offer a free email subscription service, which allows CDC.gov users to receive alerts by e-mail when new information is available. With a subscription profile, you get the updated information on the items of interest to you automatically without having to return to the Web site and check for changes. This is a free service provided by the CDC. Your email address will only be used to deliver the requested

information or to give you access to your user profile. To view the various newsletters and email updates, simply subscribe to the service and select the newsletters / updates you desire:

<http://www.cdc.gov/emailupdates/index.html?source=govdelivery>

Popular picks include:

Morbidity Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) - Receive the table of contents with links to articles for the *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)* series of publications: Weekly, Recommendations and Reports, Surveillance Summaries, Summary of Notifiable Diseases, and Supplements.

"Have You Heard? Facts from the Field" - a weekly feature to provide CDC and the field with facts and news from state, tribal, local and territorial public health agencies.

Staying Connected Newsletter - Partners are a critical component to achieving CDC's public health mission. The *Staying Connected* newsletter will allow CDC's partners to stay engaged with the latest CDC news, updates and program activities.

"Did You Know?" - "Did You Know?" is a weekly feature from the Office for State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Support to inform your prevention activities. Subscriptions options are multiple and include Disease Outbreaks, Emergency Response, Environmental Health, Health Disparities, HIV, Maternal/Child Health, Tobacco Use, and Tuberculosis Elimination.

Databases and Sources of Data

Area Resource File (ARF) - (Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)) - The ARF database contains more than 6,000 variables for each of the nation's counties and provides information on health facilities, health professions, measures of resource scarcity, health status, economic activity, health training programs, and socioeconomic and environmental characteristics (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

Community Health Status Indicators (CHSI) - (Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) U.S.) - County-specific data and reports on health status indicators. States and counties can use the indicators to check county health status, compare one's county to peers and the U.S., and characterize the overall health of the county and its citizens to support health planning (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

Data Resource Center for Child & Adolescent Health - (Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative (CAHMI)) - National and state-based data on over 100 indicators from the National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH) and the National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs (NS-CSHCN) (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

Quick Health Data Online - (Office on Women's Health, HHS (OWH)) - State and county level data available by gender, race and ethnicity. Categories include demographics, mortality, natality, reproductive health, violence, prevention, disease, and mental health (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

FastStats - State and Territorial Data - (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)) - Health facts for states and territories including birth and death rates and additional sources of health data (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) - (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)) - State-based system of health surveys that collects information on health risk behaviors, preventive health practices, and health care access primarily related to chronic disease and injury (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

CDC Data and Statistics - (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)) - Provides access to CDC data and statistics including national surveys, surveillance resources, and vital records (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

CDC Wonder - (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)) - Wide-ranging Online Data for Epidemiologic Research. Access statistical research data published by CDC; Public-use data sets about deaths, cancer incidence, HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis, vaccinations, births, census data and many other topics are available for query (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

Census Bureau - (www.census.gov) - The leading source of quality data about the nation's people and economy.

Child Trends Data Bank - (Child Trends) - National trend data and research on over 100 key indicators of child and youth well-being (*Health Data Tools And Statistics*, October, 2011).

CMS Data and Systems- (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)) - Link to the CMS webpage with hyperlinks to CMS data and systems, files for order, statistics, trends, and reports, research, and monitoring programs.

Youth Risk Based Surveillance System (YRBS) - <http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/yrbs/faq.htm> - State, territorial, and local agencies and nongovernmental organizations acquire YRBS data to set and track progress toward meeting school health and health promotion program goals, support modification of school health curricula or other programs, support new legislation and policies that promote health, and seek funding and other support for new initiatives.